

2. In the Claims. The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions of the claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A clip for establishing an electrical interconnection between a shelf and a post in a ~~pre-assembled~~ shelving unit of the type having an electrically conductive shelf and an electrically conductive post, said shelf including a sleeve that couples to said post, said clip comprising:

a main body having a first electrically conductive portion configured for making contact with a shelf, and a second electrically conductive portion configured for making contact with a post to thereby establish an electrically conductive path between said shelf and said post, said first electrically conductive portion defined by first and second opposed arms having outer ends configured for making contact with the shelf, and said second electrically conductive portion defined by at least one upwardly extending contact member for making electrical contact with either the sleeve or post, and at least one downwardly extending contact member for making electrical contact with either the sleeve or post.

2. (Original) The clip according to claim 1 wherein the main body further comprises an electrically conductive resilient member.

3. (Original) The clip according to claim 2 wherein the main body further comprises at least one contact member configured for making an electrical contact with said post, and at least one contact member configured for making an electrical contact with said shelf.

4. (Currently Amended) The clip according to claim ~~3~~1 ~~including wherein the first and second opposed arms define a~~ at least one retaining member for retaining the clip in a position on the shelving unit such that an electrically conductive path is established from the shelf to the post through the clip.

5. (Original) The clip according to claim 4 fabricated from a resilient material.

6. (Currently Amended) The clip according to claim 31 having two upwardly extending contact members, each configured for making contact with ~~a selected~~ either the sleeve shelf or post.

7. (Currently Amended) The clip according to claim 6 having two downwardly extending contact members, each configured for making contact with ~~a selected~~ either ~~shelf or the~~ post.

8. (Currently Amended) The clip according to claim 31 having two upwardly extending contact members, two downwardly extending contact members, and two retaining members defined by the opposed arms, and wherein the outer ends of the opposed arms have hooks formed ~~on outer end thereof~~.

9. (Canceled)

10. (Original) The clip according to claim 1 including a spring to urge said first electrically conductive member into mechanical and electrical contact with said shelf, and to urge said second electrically conductive member into mechanical and electrical contact with said post, said spring establishing an electrically conductive path from said shelf to said post.

11. (Currently Amended) An electrically conductive clip for making electrical contact between a shelf and a post, comprising:
a main body portion;
~~-----~~having a first contact portion defined by a first hook arm and a second hook arm; each hook arm adapted for contacting the shelf,
~~-----~~a second contact portion between the first and second hook arms, said second contact portion having a first contact area for making contact with the shelf and a second contact area for making contact with the post.;

~~.....wherein the first and second hook arms define a retainer for retaining the clip in a desired position relative to the shelf and post, and;~~

~~.....wherein said first and second contact portions and said retainer are in electrically connected to said main body portion.~~

12. (Currently Amended) The electrically conductive clip according to claim 11 ~~wherein the for establishing an electrical interconnection between a shelf and a post are~~ in a shelving unit of the type having an electrically conductive shelf and an electrically conductive post, wherein said ~~first~~ second contact portion is configured for making mechanical and electrical contact with said post and said ~~first and second contact portion is~~ hook arms are configured for making mechanical and electrical contact with said shelf, and said retainer is configured for maintaining said ~~first and second contact portions~~ second contact portion and said first and second hook arms in mechanical and electrical contact with said post and shelf, respectively.

13. (Original) The electrically conductive clip according to claim 12 wherein said main body portion, ~~first and second contact portions, and retainer, comprises~~ a resilient material.

14. (Canceled)

15. (Currently Amended) The electrically conductive clip according to claim 13~~[4]~~ wherein said main body portion, and said first and second ~~contact portions and said retainer~~ hook arms define a unitary member.

16. (Currently Amended) A clip for establishing an electrical interconnection between external contact to both a shelf and a post in a shelving unit of the type having an electrically conductive shelf and an electrically conductive post ~~and for establishing an electrical interconnection between said shelf and said post,~~ said clip comprising:

an electrically conductive main body, said main body further comprising:

post contact means ~~electrically connected to said main body~~ for establishing an electrically conductive path from said post to said main body;

shelf contact means electrically connected to said main body for establishing an electrically conductive path from said shelf to said main body;

retaining means for retaining said post contact means in electrical contact with said post and said shelf contact means in electrical contact with said shelf and to thereby maintain an electrically conductive path from said shelf through said main body and to said post.

17. (Currently Amended) The clip according to claim 16 including a plurality of post contact means, each ~~electrically connected to said main body and each for~~ establishing a separate electrically conductive path from said post to said main body.

18. (Currently Amended) The clip according to claim 17 including a plurality of shelf contact means, each ~~electrically connected to said main body and each for~~ establishing a separate electrically conductive path from said shelf to said main body.

19. (Original) The clip according to claim 18 wherein the retaining means further comprises a pair of hook arms extending from said main body, each of said hook arms configured for connection with said shelf.

20. (Original) The clip according to claim 16 wherein the retaining means further comprises a pair of resilient C-shaped clips, one of said C-shaped clips configured for connecting to said post and the other of said C-shaped clips configured for connecting to said shelf.